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SUBJECT: SPAIN REQUESTS MUTUAL CANDIDATE SUPPORT FOR WORLD  
HERITAGE CONVENTION

1. This is an action request. Please see paragraph 3.

2. Embassy Madrid received the following note verbale from the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs June 3 (the note is dated May 27). Informal embassy translation of the main points is as follows:

The Government of Spain has decided to present a candidate for the World Heritage Committee and notes that elections for this committee will take place next October in the General Assembly of the World Heritage Convention. The Foreign Ministry has learned that the U.S. government will also be presenting a candidate for this committee. The GOS proposes that the USG consider the possibility of mutually supporting each others' candidates for this committee. The GOS hopes that the USG gives strong consideration to its proposal.

End translation.

3. Post requests Department guidance on the appropriate response to this proposal.

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